



**BIOGRAPHY**  
**GENERAL CHHATRA MAN SINGH GURUNG**  
**CHIEF OF THE ARMY STAFF**  
**NEPALESE ARMY**



Born on 18<sup>th</sup> July 1952 in Pulimarang village of Tanahu district, General Chhatra man Singh Gurung joined the Nepalese Army in the year 1971 and received his commission from the Indian Military Academy. A graduate of Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, USA, he is an alumnus of National Defense University, China. He holds a Bachelors degree from Tribhuvan University and is highly decorated Military Officer. He was promoted to the Rank of General and appointed as the Chief of the Army Staff of the reputed Nepalese Army by the **Right Honourable president Dr Ram Baran Yadav on 09<sup>th</sup> September 2009**. He was also conferred the Honorary Rank of “**General of the Indian Army**” by Her Excellency, the President of India on 14<sup>th</sup> December 2009.

During his military career, he has undertaken several military professional courses at home and abroad. Besides career courses, he specializes in Mountain Warfare and Para Basic Course from Nepal; and Commando, Counter Insurgency and Jungle Warfare, Junior Command, and Senior Command Courses from India.

General Gurung has held various Command and Staff responsibilities during his career. He successfully commanded the Gorakh Box Independent Infantry Company and the Shamsheer Dal Infantry Battalion, He has earned himself a reputation as a training strategist, which is reflected by his assignments as instructor at the various Army level Training Institutions. Upon his promotion as a Brigadier General, he was appointed as the Brigade Commander of the only Special Forces Brigade and then went on to command an Infantry Brigade. As a Divisional Commander, General Gurung successfully planned and led the counter insurgency operations in the volatile Mid-Western region of Nepal. His important staff appointments include Director of Research and Development and Director of Military Training in the Army HQ. He also served as Quarter Master General. As a Lieutenant General he served as the Chief of the General Staff of the Nepalese Army.

General Gurung has vast experience in the foreign sectors working with the United Nations and the diplomatic corps. He served as the Operations Staff Officer, Chief Military Personnel Officer, and Chief of Staff in UNIFIL HQ,

Lebanon. He also holds the distinction of serving as the Military Attaché of Nepal to the United Kingdom and France. He has also participated widely in national and international conferences and seminars at senior level. General Gurung paid visit to the Republic of India and United Kingdom on the official invitation of his counterparts after taking over as the Chief of the Army Staff.

General Gurung is a known physical fitness enthusiast. He is a World Taekwon-Do Federation black belt himself. He is married to Mrs Kamala Gurung and is blessed with two sons, Dr Pratik and Prabal.